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Notice of Allowability	Application No.	Applicant(s)	
	09/624,191	DONNER ET AL.	
	Examiner	Art Unit	
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1. This communication is responsive to 8/2/2007.
2. The allowed claim(s) is/are 39-101.
3. Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
 - a) All Some* None of the:
 1. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 2. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 3. Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this national stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

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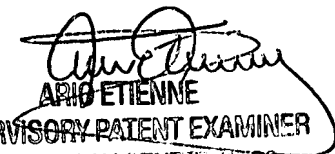
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4. A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
5. CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
 - (a) including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
 - 1) hereto or 2) to Paper No./Mail Date _____.
 - (b) including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date _____.

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6. DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

Attachment(s)

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of References Cited (PTO-892) 2. <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) 3. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Information Disclosure Statements (PTO/SB/08),
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EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

1. This action is responsive to amendment received on August 2, 2007.
2. Restriction to one of the following inventions is required under 35 U.S.C. 121:
 - I. Claims 39-101, drawn to computer network monitoring, classified in class 709, subclass 224.
 - II. Claims 102 and 104, drawn to priority based messaging, classified in class 709, subclass 207.
3. The inventions are distinct, each from the other because of the following reasons:

Inventions I and II are related as subcombinations disclosed as usable together in a single combination. The subcombinations are distinct from each other if they are shown to be separately usable. In the instant case, invention II has separate utility such as instant messaging connection with a device, the connection being configured to enable the user to exchange messages with other users" which is not required for Invention I. Invention I has a separate utility such as "providing information based on the detected alert feed to a second device, determining using the second device whether a state change at the server has occurred based on information provided by the second device" which is not required for invention II. See MPEP § 806.05(d).
4. During a telephone conversation with Mr. Jeremy Monaldo on Sep. 24, 2007 a provisional election was made without traverse to prosecute the invention of I, claims 39-101. Claims 102 and 104 are withdrawn from further consideration by the examiner, 37 CFR 1.142(b), as being drawn to a non-elected invention.

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5. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Mr. Jeremy Monaldo on Sep. 24, 2007.

6. The application has been amended as follows:

- **Claim 67:** replace "readable" after "computer" with --storage-- at line 2;
replace "comprising instructions for" after "medium" with --when executed perform the steps of-- at line 2.
- **Claim 68:** replace "comprising instructions for" after "claim 67 further" with --performing the steps of-- at line 1.
- **Claim 92:** replace "readable" after "computer" with --storage-- at line 2;
replace "comprising instructions for" after "medium" with --when executed perform the steps of-- at line 2.
- **Claim 102:** canceled.
- **Claim 104:** canceled.

REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

7. Claims 39-101 are allowable over the prior art of record.

8. This communication warrants no examiner's reason for allowance, as applicant's reply makes evident the reason for allowance, satisfying the record as whole as required by rule 37 CFR 1.104 (e). In this case, the substance of applicant's claim

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amendments and remarks in the Amendment filed on 02 August 2007 with respect to the amended claim limitations point out the reason claims are patentable over the prior art of record. Thus, the reason for allowance is in all probability evident from the record and no statement for examiner's reason for allowance is necessary (see MPEP 13202.14).

9. Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

10. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Hussein A. El-chanti whose telephone number is (571)272-3999. The examiner can normally be reached on Mon-Fri 8:30-5:00.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Ario Etienne can be reached on (571)272-4001. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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